



MINUTES

Parks Board Meeting
Wednesday, January 14, 2009
7:00 P.M.

Members Present: Mike Sawa, Dick Dietrich, Tom Bridges, Karen Bair

Also Present: Evan Springer, Assistant City Attorney Jay Isenberg, Tim Schrader, Jeff Madsen, Zona Lanham

Mike Sawa called the Wednesday, January 14, 2009, Park Board meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

I. Election of Officers:

Dietrich nominated Mike Sawa for President, Bair seconded.

Vote: Ayes

Bair nominated Tom Bridges for Vice President, Dietrich seconded.

Vote: Ayes

Bridges nominated Richard Dietrich as Secretary, Bair seconded.

Vote: Ayes

Sawa appointed Karen Bair as the Plan Commission Appointee.

II. Acceptance of the Meeting Minutes:

Sawa stated that meeting minutes from December would stand as presented, unless there were any corrections needed. No corrections noted. Sawa stated that the minutes would stand as presented.

III. Attorney Reports:

Isenberg stated that the contract for Poindexter Excavating for work on Tracy Trail was ready and needed approval. Bridges motioned to approve the contract with Poindexter Excavating in the amount of \$658,188.00, Dietrich seconded.

Vote: Ayes

Isenberg stated that The Sertoma Club of Greenwood is here to make a presentation to the Park Board. Joyce Nies and John Reames, members of The Sertoma Club presented WAMM fest a Wine, Art, Music & Micro-brew festival. WAMM fest is a cultural charity event for all ages. The Sertoma Club is requesting the use of Craig Park on August 22, to charge admittance and to allow alcohol. Nies stated she has worked out details with Police Chief, Joe Pitcher and Fire Chief, Steve Dondt and has their support. Mayor Charles Henderson approached the Park Board with his opinions and gave his endorsement of the festival. The Park Board decided to call a Special Meeting on January 28, 2009 at 6:00 pm. After further study of the details of Sertomas's request, the Park Board will then give the Sertoma Club a decision.

Isenberg stated that the remonstrance results have been published and asked if there were any questions. Sawa stated that we owe it to the people who collected signatures to be told why some were disqualified. Isenberg stated that himself, Springer and Madsen have gone down to the Johnson County Clerk's office and received copies of the petitions. Isenberg also stated that himself, Springer and Madsen will go through the petitions and write up a summary report.

IV. Greenways & Trails 5 yr Implementation Plan Update:

Cory Daly with HNTB delivered a draft of the 5 Yr. Action Plan for 2009-2014. Cory Daly asked the Park Board to look over the draft and make notes of any question or concerns. Some discussion followed.

V. Freedom Park Status:

Springer stated that due to the weather Central Engineering will be back in the spring to finish up the phase 1 plan. Springer stated the need to set up a meeting with the Greenwood School Corporation, their engineers and the City and their Engineers to coordinate the next stages of design, development and construction of both the School project and Freedom Park. Springer has asked KOE Engineering to work up cost estimates for temporary park roadways and parking facilities. Sawa stated that when we find out what money we will be available from the budget for Freedom Park to let the Park Board know what options are available for development of Freedom Park. Discussion followed.

VI. Other Business from the Park Board:

Sawa stated that he has met with Starbucks to talk about the possibility of doing Starbucks Saturdays. Starbucks would provide coffee and / or refreshments at a certain time every Saturday for participants using the Trail at Craig Park.

Sawa also stated that he has met with Greenwood High School's Student Council about trying to get activities that would attract the 13-17 year old crowd to use our amphitheater and possibly to become members at the Community Center.

VII. Recreation Report:

Madsen had submitted the written Recreation Report to the Board prior to the meeting. (see attached).

VIII. Community Center Report:

Lanham had submitted the written Community Center Attendance and Membership report to the Board prior to the meeting. (see attached).

IX. Park Report:

Schrader had submitted the written Park Report to the Board prior to the meeting. (see attached.).

X. Financial Report:

Springer had submitted the written Financial Report to the Board prior to the meeting (see attached).

Bridges asked about the figures for the pool and if we made money this year. Madsen stated that it is about a loss of \$35,000 for 2008. Discussion followed.

XI. Signing of the Claim Sheet:

Sawa stated that the Claim Sheets would stand as presented, unless there were any corrections needed. No corrections noted. Claim Sheets will stand as presented.

Sawa read his reflections on 2008. (see attached)

XII. Sawa adjourned the meeting at 8:35 p.m.

President

Secretary

Recording Secretary